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Our Case No.: 1391/1561

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ROBERT J. YATKA et al.

Serial No.: 10/712,114

Filing Date: November 13, 2003

For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING RELEASE OF
N-SUBSTITUTED DERIVATIVES OF
ASPARTAME IN CHEWING GUM AND GUM
PRODUCED THEREBY

Examiner: Arthur L. Corbin

Group Art Unit No.: 1761

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2004, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.